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SUBJ: NAMIBIA: SWAPO TRAVEL FOR NEW YORK TALKS

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1. MEMBER OF SWAPO NEGOTIATING TEAM HIDIPO HAMUTENYA DEPARTED
LUSAKA EVENING OF MAY 3 TO ATTEND NEW YORK TALKS. HE WILL
ARRIVE ON FLIGHT TW 709 ON MAY 4. MARK BOMANI WILL BE UNABLE
TO ATTEND DISCUSSIONS BECAUSE OF HIS DUTIES AT NAMIBIA INSTITUTE
(HE IS ACTING DIRECTOR), AND SWAPO IS ATTEMPTING TO ARRANGE
TO HAVE ERNEST TJIRIANGE PROCEED TO NEW YORK FROM GENEVA.
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SWAPO HAS BEEN UNABLE TO CONTACT GREENWELL MATONGO, WHO CURRENTLY
IS IN LUANDA.

2. DURING BRIEF CONVERSATION WITH AMBASSADOR AND POLOFF,
HAMUTENYA MENTIONED ONLY WALVIS BAY AS A SERIOUS STICKING
POINT REGARDING CONTACT GROUP PROPOSAL. HE SEEMED TO
ACCEPT THAT THE FIVE COULD NOT CHANGE THE CONTENTS OF THEIR

PROPOSAL, BUT SUGGESTED THE ISSUE COULD BE OVERCOME BY THE FIVE ABSTAINING ON AN "AMENDMENT" TO THE PLAN IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL. WE POINTED OUT THAT WE DOUBTED THIS WOULD BE AN ACCEPTABLE COURSE, BUT PERHAPS THERE WERE OTHER WAYS IN WHICH SWAPO'S CONCERNS COULD BE MET, SUCH AS BY OUR PROPOSED STATEMENT ON WALVIS.

3. HAMUTENYA SAID HE WAS AWARE OF THE PROPOSED STATEMENT AND UNDERSTOOD THE REASONS FOR ITS PARTICULAR FORMATION. HE MADE CLEAR THAT HE WAS CONCERNED THAT THE STATEMENT WOULD BE MADE AND THEN FORGOTTEN, WITH NO FOLLOW-UP ACTION. WHEN ASSURED THAT THE US WOULD CONTINUE TO MAKE CLEAR ITS SUPPORT FOR INCLUSION OF WALVIS BAY IN NAMIBIA DURING NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN AN INDEPENDENT GOVERNMENT AND SOUTH AFRICA, HAMUTENYA SAID THAT SUCH AN INDICATION WOULD BE HELPFUL IN RESOLVING OUR DIFFERENCES OVER THIS ISSUE. HE SAID HE WAS HOPEFUL THAT A SATISFACTORY FORMULA COULD BE WORKED OUT.

4. COMMENT: IN OUR EXPERIENCE, HAMUTENYA HAS ALWAYS BEEN ONE OF THE MORE HARDLINE AND DOCTRINAIRE MEMBERS OF THE SWAPO NEGOTIATING TEAM. ON THIS OCCASION HE EXPRESSED SOMEWHAT MORE FLEXIBILITY THAN WE HAVE SEEN BEFORE. HE ALSO ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE WAY EVENTS WERE MOVING, THERE WAS A POSSIBILITY OF HIS RETURNING TO NAMIBIA SOON. HE HAS BEEN OUT OF TOUCH WITH RECENT NEGOTIATIONS AND IS CONFIDENTIAL

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UNINFORMED ON CURRENT SWAPO POSITIONS. THE FLEXIBILITY AND POSITIVE ATTITUDE HE DEMONSTRATED HERE MAY DISAPPEAR IN NEW YORK WHEN HE IS BRIEFED BY HIS COLLEAGUES.

5. REFTTEL JUST RECEIVED. HAMUTENYA APPARENTLY WAS UNAWARE THAT XOTHER LUSAKA-BASED MEMBERS OF SWAPO WOULD TRAVEL TO NEW YORK. WE ARE CHECKING THIS OUT.
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